

The Wethersfield Historic District Commission held a Public Hearing on August 10, 2010 at the Wethersfield Town Hall, Town Manager's Conference Room – First Floor, 505 Silas Deane Highway, Wethersfield, Connecticut.

Members Present: John Maycock, Vice Chairperson and Acting Chairperson  
Gary McLeod, Clerk  
Bette Botticello  
Michael Rell  
Lisa Wurzer, Alternate

Members Absent: Robert Garrey, Chairperson  
Mark Raymond, Alternate  
Susan Gillanders, Alternate

Also Present: Kristin Stearley, Historic District Coordinator  
Linda Messina, Recording Secretary

Commissioner Maycock called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM, and read the opening comments. Commissioner McLeod, Clerk, read the Legal Notice as it appeared in the *Hartford Courant* on July 30, 2010.

**APPLICATION NO. 3845-10.** Jeffrey Moson seeking to enclose the rear porch, install vinyl siding and install replacement windows at 46 Kenwood Road.

Jeffrey Moson of 46 Briarcliff Drive, Windsor Locks, and Diane Cartier of 46 Kenwood Road appeared before the Commission. They would like to replace the existing siding with Certainteed Cedar Impressions vinyl siding in the color Sterling Grey. The cornerboards will match the siding. The trim will be the same as original. The gutters will stay the same. They would like to replace the existing windows with Ply Gem aluminum clad wood replacement windows with a 2/2 light pattern and grills on the inside and outside of the windows. They would like to enclose the rear porch which faces Railroad Place. It now has 13 storm windows. It will now have one window on each side. They would like to use Ply Gem aluminum clad wood new construction windows with a 2/2 light pattern and grills on the inside and outside of the windows.

Commissioner Maycock asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

**APPLICATION NO. 3846-10.** Luisa Maffucci seeking to replace the aluminum siding with vinyl siding, replace the rear door and install one replacement window at 280-282 Middletown Avenue.

Bill Defurio of 3261 Main Street, Rocky Hill, and Luisa Maffucci of 118 Midwell Avenue appeared before the Commission. The siding is currently aluminum with an 8" exposure. They would like to replace the siding with double 4" Certainteed Mastic vinyl siding in Wicker color. The cornerboards will match the siding color. The trim will be wrapped in white aluminum. They would like to replace the rear door with a Therma Tru steel door with 4 lights and 3 raised panels. They would like to replace the existing rear window which is now a storm window. They would like to use a Harvey Classic vinyl window with a 1/1 light pattern.

Commissioner Maycock asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

**APPLICATION NO. 3847-10.** Marty and Dana Sitler seeking to install fencing for an in-ground pool and relocate the storage shed to accommodate the placement of pool mechanicals at 21 Foote Path Lane.

Marty Sitler of 21 Foote Path Lane appeared before the Commission. He would like to move the existing shed forward in order to hide the pool mechanicals behind the shed. He would also like to install fencing around the pool only. He would like to use a 4' high polycoated chain link fence with 1/4" mesh. It will have one self-closing/self-locking gate.

Commissioner Maycock asked whether there was anyone wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application.

John Murphy of 61 Old Pewter Lane stated that he was not opposed to the application.

Commissioner Maycock asked whether there was anyone else wishing to speak in favor or in opposition to this application. There being no one, this portion of the hearing was declared closed.

Upon motion by Commissioner McLeod seconded by Commissioner Rell, and a poll of the commission, it was voted to close the public hearing on all applications and open the public meeting.

Aye: Maycock, McLeod, Rell, Botticello, Wurzer

**APPLICATION NO. 3845-10.** Jeffrey Moson seeking to enclose the rear porch, install vinyl siding and install replacement windows at 46 Kenwood Road.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rell, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

1. The siding shall be Certainteed Cedar Impressions in the color Sterling grey.
2. The cornerboards shall match the siding in the color Sterling Grey.
3. The replacement windows shall be aluminum clad wood Ply Gem with a 2/2 light pattern and the muntins shall be permanently affixed to the exterior and interior.
4. The windows on the rear porch shall be new construction aluminum clad wood Ply Gem with a 2/2 light pattern and the muntins shall be permanently affixed to the interior and exterior and the design shall be as submitted.

**Discussion**

Commissioner Maycock stated that the applicants have put in a lot of effort to use approved products.

Commissioner Botticello stated that this was a good application.

Aye: Maycock, Rell, McLeod, Botticello, Wurzer

**APPLICATION NO. 3846-10.** Luisa Maffucci seeking to replace the aluminum siding with vinyl siding, replace the rear door and install one replacement window at 280-282 Middletown Avenue.

Upon motion by Commissioner Rell, seconded by Commissioner McLeod and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application with the following stipulations:

1. The siding shall be Mastic vinyl clapboard in the color Wicker with a 5" exposure.
2. The cornerboards shall be 4" and shall match the siding in the color Wicker.
3. The rear door shall be a Therma Tru steel door with 4 lights and 3 raised panels.
4. The rear window shall be replaced with a Harvey Classic vinyl window with a 1/1 light pattern.

**Discussion**

Commissioner Maycock stated that going from 8" to 4" is a big change and he'd rather see 5".

Commissioner Botticello stated that she agrees.

Commissioner Rell stated that going from 8" to 4" is a drastic change.

Aye: Maycock, Rell, McLeod, Botticello, Wurzer

**APPLICATION NO. 3847-10.** Marty and Dana Sitler seeking to install fencing for an in-ground pool and relocate the storage shed to accommodate the placement of pool mechanicals at 21 Foote Path Lane.

Upon motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to APPROVE the application as submitted.

**Discussion**

Commissioner Maycock stated that this fence will stand out too much. The Commission has never approved chain link fence.

Commissioner Botticello stated that she doesn't like chain link fence. The grey color would blend better.

Commissioner McLeod stated that the black fence will blend in with the backyard. A stockade fence would look worse.

Commissioner Rell stated that the chain link holes are smaller and therefore allow less visibility into/out of the pool area. Aluminum wrought iron fences do a good job.

Commissioner Wurzer stated that this is a very utilitarian look and it will interrupt the flow of the neighborhood.

Aye: McLeod

Nay: Rell, Maycock, Botticello, Wurzer

Upon motion by Commissioner McLeod, seconded by Commissioner Botticello and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to TABLE the application.

**Discussion**

Aye: Maycock, Rell, McLeod, Botticello, Wurzer

**MINUTES OF JULY 27, 2010**

Upon motion by Commissioner Rell, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, the minutes of the July 27, 2010 meeting were approved as submitted.

Aye: Maycock, Rell, McLeod, Botticello, Wurzer

**OTHER BUSINESS**

**Public comments on general matters of the Historic District**

Marty Sitler, 21 Foote Path Lane, stated that there are over 20 houses in the District that have chain link fences. He decided on chain link because of safety.

Commissioner Maycock stated that the houses in the District that have chain link were not approved by the Commission and the chain link was probably installed before the Commission was formed.

**Report of the Historic District Coordinator**

None.

**Correspondence**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Upon motion by Commissioner Rell, seconded by Commissioner Maycock and a poll of the Commission, it was voted to ADJOURN the meeting at 8:21 PM.

Aye: Maycock, Rell, McLeod, Botticello, Wurzer

Respectfully Submitted

TOWN OF WETHERSFIELD  
HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION

Gary McLeod  
Clerk